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COMMITTEE ON PARKS, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Tuesday, February 28, 2006

Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

MINUTES

TAPE NO. 38, Side B, No. 500 to end (standard speed)

TAPE NO. 39, Side A, No. 001 to end (low speed)

TAPE NO. 39, Side B, No. 001 to 360 (low speed)

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Supervisors Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin
(Chairman)

EXCUSED: None

Scheduled Items:

1. 06-119 From Director, Milwaukee County UW-Extension, requesting authorization to seek and receive \$88,975 in funding from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for construction of Rain Gardens Stormwater Best Management Practices demonstration. (Tape No. 38B-510)

APPEARANCES: Ms. Carolyn Johnson, UW-Extension

MOTION BY: (BORKOSWIKI) Approve items 1 to 4 (File Nos. 06-119, 06-131, 06-132 and 06-135). **(Vote 7-0)**

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin
(Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

2. 06-131 From the Zoo Director, requesting approval of a one-year professional services contract for 2006, with the option of extending the contract for 2007, with William A. Jones Company for the operation of high profile plastic injection vending machines at the Milwaukee County Zoo.

APPEARANCES: Mr. Chuck Wikenhauser, Zoo Director

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER ONE (1) ABOVE.

Scheduled Items (Continued):

3. 06-132 From the Zoo Director, requesting approval of a professional services contract for 2006 with Oceans of Fun, Inc. for the Marine Mammal Show at the Milwaukee County Zoo, and for training and consultation services to the Zoo Animal Department.

APPEARANCES: Mr. Chuck Wikenhauser, Zoo Director

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER ONE (1) ABOVE.

4. 06-135 From County Board Chairman, appointing Pegi Taylor to the Milwaukee County Public Art Committee. Ms. Taylor will replace Norman Barientos.

APPEARANCES: Mr. Terrence D. Cooley, Chief of Staff, County Board of Supervisors

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER ONE (1) ABOVE.

5. 06R02 A. Revised report from the Superintendent, Department of Parks, relative to the Parks Department's 2006 operations plan. (Report, laid over at the 1/31/06 meeting, from the Superintendent, Department of Parks relative to the programmatic and operational impacts resulting from budgetary restraints on 2006 operations of the Parks System.) (Tape No. 38B-550 to 39A-207) **(Copies attached to original copy of these minutes.)**

APPEARANCES: Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks
Mr. Jim Keegan, Finance Manager, Parks Department
Mr. Stephen Agostini, Fiscal and Budget Administrator, Department of Administrative Services (DAS)
Mr. Jerry Heer, Director, Department of Audits

Ms. Black described the Parks operation plan for moving forward and two areas of concern – utility costs and cross-charges. She stated that the department is working closely with WE Energies relative to utility costs and service agreements are being proposed for cross-charging.

Chairman De Bruin asked where the department stands right now as it relates to the projected deficit for 2005 and its impact on 2006 operations.

MOTION BY: (CLARK) Lay over for one cycle in order to get more information.

Discussion ensued.

Scheduled Items (Continued):

Chairman De Bruin requested information from the Department relative to what the impact is of any deficit of 2005 on the 2006 budget, and that a written report be put together responding to any operational changes to the 2006 budget based on the 2005 deficit.

MOTION BY: (CLARK) Add the request of Chairman De Bruin to the motion lay over. (Tape No. 39A-039).

Discussion ensued (Tape No. 39A-054 to 200).

VOTE ON MOTION BY SUPERVISOR CLARK TO LAY OVER FOR ONE MONTH WITH A REPORT DUE BACK FROM THE PARKS DEPARTMENT. (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin (Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

- B. Informational report from Director, Department of Public Works, Architectural, Engineering and Environment, relative to the proposed \$19 million for Parks building maintenance. **(FOR INFORMATION ONLY)** (Tape No. 39A-208) **(Copy attached to original copy of these minutes.)**

APPEARANCES: Mr. Greg High, Director, Architecture, Engineering and Environmental Services (AE&ES) Section, Department of Public Works
Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks

Discussion ensued regarding the progress of inventory of Parks buildings and the technologies that are currently being used to provide information to departments regarding building maintenance. Mr. High stated that an update of building maintenance deficiencies will be provided to the Transportation and Public Works Committee next month and a report is also presented to this Committee annually.

Supervisor McCue requested a timeline for completing the entire County building inventory and progress on performance contracting. Chairman De Bruin requested an updated report on performance contracting for the next meeting cycle.

In response to a question by Supervisor Clark regarding ADA accessibility and grant dollars, Mr. High stated that he is working with the Office for Persons with Disabilities to capture grants that are available.

Scheduled Items (Continued):

Supervisor Broderick stated that the condition of the County's ponds and lagoons is also a part of Parks maintenance.

Chairman De Bruin stated that this is an informational report and no action is necessary on the item (Tape No. 39A-396).

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THE ABOVE ITEM.

- C. Report from Superintendent, Department of Parks, regarding Parks Department organizational charts. **(FOR INFORMATION ONLY)** (Tape No. 39A-397 to 491) **(Copy attached to original copy of these minutes.)**

APPEARANCES: Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks

Chairman De Bruin stated that a report is being formulated by DAS regarding the total County Department manager to employee ratios.

Supervisor McCue stated that he would like to see a breakdown into the regional units and then a further breakdown by the parks included in each of the units.

Discussion ensued.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THE ABOVE ITEM.

6. 06-80 Report, referred back 2/02/06, confirming the appointment of the Superintendent, Department of Parks, of Mr. Chuck Ward to the position of Chief of Operations of the Department of Parks. (Tape No. 39A-520 to 549)

APPEARANCES: Mr. Chuck Ward
Mr. Stephen Agostini, Fiscal and Budget Administrator, DAS

Mr. Ward stated that he is aware of and assured the Committee that he will meet the obligations to work for Milwaukee County.

MOTION BY: (DEVINE) Approve. (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin (Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

7. 05-464 Report from Fiscal and Budget Administrator, Department of Administration, pursuant to Adopted 2006 Budget amendment 1A037 authorizing and directing the Transportation Superintendent and the Parks Superintendent to
(a)

Scheduled Items (Continued):

negotiate service level agreements for facilities and landscape architecture services by January 1, 2006, including expenditures and revenues earmarked for the agreed-upon services that will be provided to other County Departments. **(Informational unless otherwise directed by the Committee.)** (Tape No. 39A-550 to 612)

APPEARANCES: Mr. Stephen Agostini, Fiscal and Budget Administrator, DAS
Ms. Leslie Sperber, Budget Analyst, DAS
Mr. George Torres, Superintendent, Department of Public Works (DPW)
Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks
Mr. Jack Takerian, Director of Facilities Management, DPW

Discussion ensued.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THE ABOVE ITEM.

8. 04-442 Report from Superintendent, Department of Parks, relative to a revised
(a)(a) Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens, and a one-year contract with Bartolotta Catering, LLC, with the understanding that a Request for Proposals will be developed for the long-term needs of the Center. **(Amendment by Supervisor Cesarz, referred back 12/15/05, approving the transfer of the Boerner Botanical Garden's Education and Visitor's Center from the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens to the Milwaukee County Parks Department under certain conditions was laid over on 1/24/06.)** (Tape No. 39A-613 to 657)

APPEARANCES: Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks

Supervisor Broderick stated that he has a concern with private vendors and would like to encourage nonprofit entities to enter into public-public partnerships with the County, such as the Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC), and hoped that MATC would respond to the Request for Proposal (RFP). Ms. Black stated that she anticipates the RFP being presented before the budget in the Fall.

MOTION BY: (DEVINE) Approve. **(Vote 6-1)**

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick and De Bruin
(Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: Clark

9. 06-143 Report from Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting approval of a five-year agreement with East Town Association, Inc. to provide free jazz concerts in Cathedral Square Park every Thursday night during June, July,

Scheduled Items (Continued):

August and September for the years 2006 through 2010. (Tape No. 39A-658 to 668)

APPEARANCES: Ms. Kate Mohle, Executive Director, East Town Association, Inc.

MOTION BY: (BRODERICK) Approve. **(Vote 7-0)**

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin (Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

10. 06-144 Report from Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting approval of the renovation of the Miller Room at O'Donnell Park by Grandview Management, Inc. and The Park People, contingent upon the receipt of funds from the Park People and Grandview Management, Inc. (Tape No. 39A-669 to 39B-157)

APPEARANCES: Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks
Mr. Collin Lancaster, President, Board of Directors, Betty Brinn Children's Museum (against)

Ms. Mary Christine, Zilli Hospitality Group [representing Grandview Management, Inc.] (support)

Mr. Ward White, Managing Director of the Betty Brinn Children's Museum (against)

Mr. Jim Keegan, Finance Manager, Parks Department

Mr. Lancaster stated that the Betty Brinn Children's Museum Board would like to have additional atrium space for rental and more efficient use of the Miller Room for family dining. He stated that they would hope that the Committee would agree to table this matter until more information is available.

MOTION BY: (CLARK) Approve (motion later withdrawn).

MOTION BY: (McCUE) Direct the Parks Department to meet with the Children's Museum Board and come back next month.

MOTION BY: (SCHMITT) Lay over temporarily.

NO OBJECTIONS; SO ORDERED. (Tape No. 39B-157)

(Tape No. 39B-237 to 360) Ms. Black stated that the County should move forward with accepting the \$200,000 for the renovation of the Miller Room and the she will take on the full responsibility that the Betty Brinn Museum will be included in this process.

Scheduled Items (Continued):

Mr. Lancaster stated that he feels he needs to continue to ask to be included in the process over the next thirty days and that there is a long-term planning need in which the Museum should be represented. Chairman De Bruin directed the Superintendent, Department of Parks, to put information in writing relative to their inclusion of the Betty Brinn Children's Museum in this process.

Supervisor McCue requested that between now and the County Board meeting of March 9, 2006, he would expect a communication regarding the agreement reached between the Parks Department and the Betty Brinn Children's Museum.

MOTION BY: (McCUE) Approve. **(Vote 6-0)**

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick and De Bruin (Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: Clark

CLOSED SESSION:

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Sections 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of discussing the following matter; at the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever action(s) it may deem necessary on the said matter.

11. 06-145 From Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting authorization to execute a settlement agreement between Milwaukee County and the Grandview Management, Inc., including an amendment as proposed by Corporation Counsel as part of the settlement agreement. (Tape No. 39B-158 to 177)

MOTION BY: (DEVINE) Move to go into closed session under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Sections 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of discussing item number eleven. **(Vote 7-0)**

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin (Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

(Tape No. 39B-164)

ROLL CALL UPON RECONVENING INTO OPEN SESSION:

PRESENT: Supervisors Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick and De Bruin (Chairman)

EXCUSED: Supervisor Clark

MOTION BY: (SCHMITT) Approve. **(Vote 6-0)**

Scheduled Items (Continued):

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick and De Bruin
(Chairman)
NOES: None
EXCUSED: Clark

12. 06-109 Resolution by Supervisor White, authorizing and directing the Superintendent of the Department of Parks to negotiate a lease with the Bavarian Inn for the use of land located on the east bank of the Milwaukee River, north of Lincoln Park, as soccer fields. (Tape No. 39B-178 to 195)

MOTION BY: (DEVINE) Refer to the Parks Department. **(Vote 6-0)**
AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick and De Bruin
(Chairman)
NOES: None
EXCUSED: Clark

13. 05-357 From Project Manager, Hammel, Green and Abrahamson (HGA), Inc., requesting land/easement rights on County property to construct a connection to the Oak Leaf Trail for the Kenilworth project and a condominium project on land abutting the trail. The project site is on the north side of the existing Oak Leaf Trail along Kenilworth Place, between Prospect and North Farwell Avenues on Milwaukee's East Side. **(REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS) (PROJECT INFORMATION FROM HGA, INC.)** (Tape No. 39A-492 to 550; 39B-196 to 360)

APPEARANCES: Ms. Shawn Fallen, Developer
Ms. d'Andre Willis, AIA Project Manager, Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc.

MOTION BY: (BORKOWSKI) Approve items 13 to 19 (File Nos. 05-357, 06-122, 06-120, 06-121, 06-133, 06-134 and 06-116. (Tape No. 39A-492)

Supervisor Clark requested separate action on item 13 (Tape No. 39A-500).

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 13 (Tape No. 39B-360): (Vote 6-0)
AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick and De Bruin
(Chairman)
NOES: None
EXCUSED: Clark

14. 06-122 From Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting authorization to extend the license agreement with Fairway Systems, Inc. for Golf Reservation Services and Point of Sale System Support. (Tape No. 39A-492 to 519)

Scheduled Items (Continued):

VOTE ON MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BORKOWSKI TO APPROVE ITEMS 14 THROUGH 19 (See motion under number thirteen (13) above): (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Devine, Borkowski, Schmitt, McCue, Broderick, Clark and De Bruin (Chairman)

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

15. 06-120 From Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting authorization to apply for and accept a Great Lakes Basin Program grant to address bluff failures at Big Bay Park.

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER FOURTEEN (14) ABOVE.

16. 06-121 From Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting authorization to apply for and accept a grant from the Great Lakes Basin Program for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control at Estabrook Park.

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER FOURTEEN (14) ABOVE.

17. 06-133 From Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting retroactive approval of the application for, and authorization to accept, a Root-Pike Watershed Initiative Network (WIN) grant for restoration work in Franklin State Natural Area.

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER FOURTEEN (14) ABOVE.

18. 06-134 From Superintendent, Department of Parks, requesting authorization to apply for and accept, if approved, a Great Lakes Legacy Fund grant for the clean up of contaminated sediments in the Milwaukee River adjacent to the Blatz Pavilion in Lincoln Park.

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER FOURTEEN (14) ABOVE.

19. 06-116 From Director of Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to apply for and accept federal and state grant funding to be used for the Bradford Beach Outfalls project. **(Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit)**

SEE ACTION UNDER NUMBER FOURTEEN (14) ABOVE.

Scheduled Items (Continued):

STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Julie Esch, County Board Research Analyst
Ms. Carolyn Johnson, UW-Extension
Mr. Chuck Wikenhauser, Zoo Director
Mr. Terrence D. Cooley, Chief of Staff, County Board of Supervisors
Ms. Sue Black, Superintendent, Department of Parks
Mr. Jim Keegan, Finance Manager, Parks Department
Mr. Stephen Agostini, Fiscal and Budget Administrator, DAS
Mr. Jerry Heer, Director, Department of Audits
Mr. Greg High, Director, Architecture, Engineering and Environmental Services (AE&ES)
Section, Department of Public Works
Mr. Chuck Ward, Parks Department
Ms. Leslie Sperber, Budget Analyst, Department of Administrative Services (DAS)
Mr. George Torres, Superintendent, Department of Public Works
Mr. Jack Takerian, Director of Facilities Management, Department of Public Works

This meeting was recorded on tape, which is available for audit upon prior request of the Committee Clerk. The foregoing matters were not necessarily considered in agenda order. Committee "green files" contain copies of resolutions, amendments, ordinances, reports and correspondence, etc., which may be reviewed upon request of the Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes is available in the County Board office.

Adjourned: 12:30 p.m.

Maribeth Welchman
Committee Clerk

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